

GEN. M. N. WHITAKER IS NOT A CANDIDATE

Will Not Oppose Moon and
Thinks Nobody Else Should
During War Times.

"During these war times I would not do anything in the least that would distract the people's mind from the winning of this great war against Prussianism and Kaiserism. I have my mind on nothing but the war and think of nothing else. I don't want to think of anything else, and I don't believe anybody should do anything, say anything or run for any office that would in the least cause any disagreement among the people. Therefore, I am not a candidate for congress."

"GEN. M. N. WHITAKER."

Gen. Whitaker, in discussing the war and other things, stated, when asked if he was going to run for congress: "No, of course not, I never was a candidate. However," continued the general, "I did say that if the people called me to things higher up I was ready and willing to go, but I am not going to run for congress or anything else. I am retiring from the office of attorney-general, and I shall devote my time and attention to my private business and the practice of my profession."

Some time ago Gen. Whitaker stated that he would run for congress if the people wanted him, but now he sides the war is too serious and he thinks no one ought to do anything that would distract the people's mind in the least. The withdrawal of Gen. Whitaker leaves the race to Judge John A. Moon, who will be nominated without opposition. Judge Joe V. Williams, who was talked of some time ago, withdrew several months ago. There seems to be a general sentiment among the people to have as few political conflicts as possible, and expressions are being heard on every side against any opposition to Judge Moon.

BOY SCOUT MASS MEETING AT JUNIOR HIGH SUNDAY

Addresses, Special Music and
Motion Pictures Will Fea-
ture Occasion.

In connection with the movement to reorganize the Boy Scouts of Chattanooga, there will be a mass meeting at Junior High school Sunday night, Boys of Highland Park between the ages of 12 and 18 are urged to attend and see that their parents and friends are there. The object of the meeting is to learn more about the scout organization, and speakers who know will tell about its aims and purposes. Motion pictures on scouting will be shown. Special music is to be furnished by the Christian Endeavor society of the Bailey Avenue Christian church.

It is pointed out that the Boy Scout organization trains boys to grow up into good men; that it teaches love of flag and country, loyalty and obedience to authority; that it teaches courtesy and consideration for others, and there is no place in its ranks for mollycoddles. It is also pointed out that there is plenty of good, wholesome recreation, including ball games, tennis, camping trips, fishing and swimming, all provided for the amusement of the scouts under competent instructors.

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POSTHUMOUS RECOGNITION OF INSTANCES PERSONAL HEROISM

Gen. Pershing Reports Award of Distinguished Service Crosses to
Members of American Expeditionary Force.

(International News Service.)

Washington, June 15.—American aviators have shot down two more hostile planes, Gen. Pershing announced in his communique under date of June 14, made public by the war department this afternoon. The commander of the overseas forces also tells how an American sentry, captured by a German patrol, succeeded in escaping by a combination of pluck and strategy.

The following distinguished services have been awarded, four of which are posthumous:

"Corpl. Thomas A. Carroll, infantry—While a member of a patrol, which was rushed by a greatly superior hostile patrol, opened fire on the enemy at fifteen yards and, although severely wounded, displayed marked coolness in covering the retreat of his patrol."

"Maj. Alexander Rasmussen, U. S. R. infantry (posthumous)—Proceeded to his post of command in spite of heavy bombardment in order to save important papers, and while thus engaged, was killed by shell fire."

"Private Oscar Griffith, medical department, ambulance company (posthumous)—Displayed extraordinary devotion to duty in going to the assistance of a wounded man and in remaining with him through a heavy

bombardment, until Private Griffith himself was killed."

"Sergt. Gray E. Swingle, U. S. Engineers (posthumous)—Was in command of a patrol sent out near Bois Desraillois on March 25, 1918. The patrol came under hostile machine gun fire and Sergt. Swingle was mortally wounded. He gave instructions to the patrol to return to their company commander and ordered them to leave him as the patrol was under fire and would be all probably be wiped out. Sergt. Swingle died within the enemy's lines."

"Private Frank J. Goldcamp, U. S. Engineers (posthumous)—Attempted to rescue Sergt. Swingle on March 25, his patrol leader, who was lying wounded within sight of his lines. While engaged in this work he came under hostile machine gun fire and was killed."

"Private First Class Leslie M. Lane, infantry—On the night of April 4 and 5 he was carrying rations to the men in the front trenches. He encountered a large enemy platoon who demanded his surrender. He refused to surrender and drew his pistol and killed the enemy platoon commander, causing the enemy raiding party to retire. During the encounter he was severely wounded by hand grenades. By his quickness of action he undoubtedly saved the lives of the men in our advanced listening post."

DUAL PURPOSE ACTUATED FOE IN FLINGING STORM TROOPS ON MARNE

(International News Service.)

With the American Army at the Marne, June 14.—(Night).—A double purpose actuated the Germans in flinging their much-needed storm troops against the Americans on the Marne battle front. In the first place, it was decided by the German high command that the Americans must be smashed at any cost. In the second place, the Americans were defending the most strategic positions, since a German advance southwest of Bois Belleau would place them astride the Paris road, flanking the allied troops between there and Chateau Thierry, necessitating the allies falling back to the south bank of the Marne. This would have opened up a direct route to the French capital for the Germans.

Hence when the Americans cut to pieces the three German divisions opposed to them—the 197th, the 237th and the Tenth—others, the Twenty-eighth and the Fifth guard, which had been scheduled for a transfer from Von Boehm's army to Von Hutier's for

a new attack in the Montdidier sector, were hurriedly rushed to oppose the Americans on the Marne. The Americans thus neutralized five enemy divisions and, as one staff officer put it, they "chewed up" one and a half of them, as the Americans took more than a thousand prisoners besides inflicting enormous casualties.

A letter taken off a dead German machine gunner shows the way the Germans expected their crack regiment to deal with the Americans.

"Another day gone, but the night will be for us," the letter said. "Shells are crashing everywhere. We must lie in the shell holes all night or we will be shot. In the morning we will have a look at the big Americans. They may not expect mercy because we are too bitter owing to the losses he inflicted. We will cut them to pieces. We should have been relieved before now but we have been selected by the general staff to give the American gentlemen their final death blow."

RUTH TAKES SLUMP, BURNS LEADS; FLAGSTEAD FAR IN LEAD IN SOUTH

(Associated Press.)

Chicago, June 15.—("Babe") Ruth, the Boston pitcher, whose hitting was the sensation of the American league, ran into a slump last week. He has dropped to sixth place among the batters who played in twenty-five or more games, according to averages published today and which include games of Wednesday. Burns of Philadelphia, has batted his way into the lead with .359. Ty Cobb, of Detroit, is batting .292, while his base-stealing mark is an even dozen. Harry Hooper, of Boston, has jumped into the lead as run-getter. He has continued thirty-seven times.

Ruth's mark of seven home-runs remains high. Shean, of Boston, has broken the tie for sacrifice hit honors, held with his teammate, Mooney, last week. He leads with eighteen. Sisler, of St. Louis, continued to lead the base stealers with twenty-three. New York, with .571, leads in team-batting. Leading batters are: Burns, Philadelphia, .359; Sisler, St. Louis, .355; Walker, Philadelphia, .349; Baker, New York, .346; Hooper, Boston, .337; Ruth, Boston, .333; E. Collins, Chicago, .317; Speaker, Cleveland, .313; McMullin, Chicago, .312; Gilhooly, New York, .302.

In the National, Merkle, of Chicago, continued his slugging. He is batting .377. Doyle's mark, however, .426, made in fifteen games, still remains high. The averages include games of Wednesday.

Max Carey, of Pittsburgh, has been

dethroned by Geo. Burns, of New York, as leader of the base stealers. Three New York outfielders have pilfered 22 to Carey's 21. Cruise, of St. Louis, chalked up two career circuit drives and pulled away from Wickland, of Boston, for home-run honors. Cruise has made five homers. Benny Kauff, of New York, is leading scorer of the league, having scored 35 times. Chicago, with .391, leads in club batting. Leading batters: Merkle, Chicago, .377; J. C. Smith, Boston, .346; Mann, Chicago, .345; Daubert, Brooklyn, .336; Wickland, Boston, .333; Kouss, New York, .326; Paskert, Chicago, .323; Hollocher, Chicago, .322; Groh, Cincinnati, .318; Paulette, St. Louis, .314.

Flagstead, of Chattanooga, is away out in front among the batters of the Southern association, according to averages including games of Tuesday. He is hitting .355, with Barger, of Memphis, 20 points behind him.

Leach, of Chattanooga, has scored 46 times. Hyatt, of Little Rock, leads the home-run hitters with five. Four are tied for sacrifice honors with 17 each. They are Barbara, New Orleans; Graff, Chattanooga; Cruthers, Memphis; and Coomes, of Little Rock. Moran leads the base-stealers with 16 thefts. Leading batters: Flagstead, Chattanooga, .335; Barger, Memphis, .375; Baker, Nashville, .374; Walker, Little Rock and Mobile, .319; Compton, New Orleans, .315; Hyatt, Little Rock, .317; Southworth, Birmingham, .316; Bues, Mobile, .314; Carroll, Memphis, and Altenburg, Birmingham, .310.

CZECHO-SLAV TROOPS TAKE IMPORTANT TOWNS

Movement Against Russian Soviet Government Continues
With Marked Success.

(Associated Press.)

London, June 15.—The Czecho-Slovak troops operating against the Russian soviet government in Siberia and the Ural region continued their success, according to an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Moscow dated June 11. During the 9th and 10th of June, having occupied Samara, they advanced rapidly toward Oufa. On the Siberian railroad from Tcheliabinsk to Tomsk (a distance of 1,250 miles) all the towns are in the hands of the Czecho-Slovaks. Omsk was occupied on June 8 by a united force of Slavs and Cossack peasants, under command of Col. Ivanoff, the soviet forces having retired from Omsk and Tumen.

CHATTANOOGA MAN GETS A PROMOTION

J. M. Cooper, who for some time has been manager of the Chattanooga branch of the National Biscuit company, has been, by reason of his excellent record in this city, promoted to special salesman connected with the general sales department of the company in New York City.

The appointment of James H. Garner as his successor has been announced. Mr. Garner began his career with the company as a salesman in this city in June, 1914, and has done so well that he is now advanced to local manager.

DANGERS OF COSTIVENESS
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CLOSE-UPS IN SPORTDOM

By ALLAN MARKLEY
International News Service
Staff Correspondent.

New York, June 15.—Fred B. Alexander, W. A. Campbell and Charles Chambers have been appointed to represent the United States National Lawn Tennis association to plan a campaign and direct the tennis activities along constructive lines for the duration of the war. The organization will devote its efforts toward stimulating junior tennis by tournaments and also encourage municipal tennis.

In notifying these men that they had been selected to carry out this work, Julian S. Myrick, vice-president of the national association, wrote: "It is not an idle boast to say that tennis has done its full duty, and more, in war time. The national association aims to secure the co-operation of tennis interests throughout the United States in constructive activity—not for the glorification of tennis, but for its use to build up our people. In helping to make the nation physically fit, tennis has a big job to do, and the association asks that you help to make this ideal a reality. It is a call to do more than a 'bit'—do your best."

As a municipal sport tennis is developing in remarkable fashion. St. Louis has issued more than 20,000 permits to users of public courts and in other cities the number has been correspondingly large.

Telephone Lineman Is Electrocuted by Live Wire

(International News Service.)

Atlanta, Ga., June 15.—H. Gordon, 29, a telephone lineman, was electrocuted late yesterday while working on a line. The shock came from the wire, which had been crossed with a high voltage wire.

To-U-Kool Grotto Sends Delegates to Columbus

Prophets L. G. Wilmet and C. H. Cornes left Saturday to attend the supreme council of the Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm at Columbus, O., June 17-19. The supreme council will consist of a business session only this year, on account of the war, the "big time" usually indulged in being eliminated.

RHEUMATIC AND KIDNEY ILLS

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MILITARY BAND TO GIVE FAREWELL CONCERT

Program Sunday From 4 to 6.
Sandwiches to Be Served
Musicians.

A concert will be given by the Fifty-second infantry band, directed by Mr. Allen, at Warner park Sunday, June 16, from 4 to 6 p.m. There are thirty-two members of this band and this concert is given by the band as a farewell courtesy to Chattanooga, whose citizens have treated the band so royally. The Chattanooga branch of the National League for Women's Service will serve free luncheon to the members of the band after the concert.

FRENCH HEAVY ATTACK REPULSED, SAYS BERLIN

Berlin, Friday, June 14.—(Via London).—Heavy attacks by the French against the Germans between Voormezele and Vlertrat, southwest of Ypres, have been sangunarily repulsed, according to the German official communication issued today. The communication reports only light fighting on the remainder of the western front. The text of the communication follows: "Southwest of Ypres the French launched violent attacks against our lines between Voormezele and Vlertrat. They were repulsed with great slaughter and 150 prisoners remained in our hands."

"There have been successful reconnoitering engagements in the Kemmel sector."

"On the remainder of the front the fighting activity revived only intermittently. The increased artillery activity has been kept up on the battlefield southwest of Noyon. In the neighborhood of Courvelles and Mery, as well as in the Matz region immediately west of th. eOise, the enemy renewed his counter-attacks, but was repulsed with heavy losses."

"On both sides of the road between Soissons and Villers-Cotterets we penetrated into the forest of Villers-Cotterets."

"Since May 27 the army of Gen. Von Boehm has captured more than 750 guns. This increased the number of guns brought in by the army group of the crown prince since May 27, to 1,050."

TEXAS OIL WELL AFIRE; TWO MEN FATALLY BURNED

(Associated Press.)

Fort Worth, Tex., June 15.—The Brewer oil well, which was brought in near Ranger this week, caught fire early today, fatally burning two men and injuring others. The well is still burning. The receiving tanks have already been destroyed.

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